ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME DIVISION OF COMMERCIAL FISHERIES

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Time: 12:00 p.m.

Bristol Bay Eastside Salmon Announcement # 11 Emergency Order: 13, 14

This is the Alaska Department of Fish and Game in King Salmon with an announcement for Egegik and Ugashik District fishermen. The time is 12:00 p.m. and the date is Sunday, June 24, 2012.

In Egegik: Passage into the Egegik River has been very slow since Thursday. River temperature went up to 53 degrees starting Thursday. Temperatures in Egegik bay are reported in the 40 degree range. Temperatures in Becharof lake outflow continue to be 39 degrees. We will fly an aerial survey today to assess volume in the Egegik Lagoon. Escapement at the Egegik tower is 276 through 6:00 a.m. today.

Commercial fishing will be permitted in the Egegik district with set gillnets from 4:15 p.m. Monday, June 25, until 12:15 a.m. Tuesday, June 26, 2012......an 8 hour opener. Commercial fishing with drift gillnets will be permitted from 5:00 p.m. until 10:00 p.m., Monday, June 25, 2012......a 5 hour opener.

In Ugashik: the department's inriver test fishery is operational and detecting fish passing into the Ugashik River. Commercial fishing in the Ugashik district will be permitted with set gillnets from 2:00 p.m. until 11:59 p.m. Monday June, 25, 2012..... a 10 hour opener. Commercial fishing with drift gillnets will be permitted from 3:00 p.m. until 11:00 p.m. Monday June 25, 2012..... an 8 hour opener.

Fishermen in Egegik and Ugashik districts should stand by at 12:00 p.m., Monday, June 25 for the next possible announcement. Drift fishermen are also reminded that they must register before fishing in either district.

This has been the Alaska Dept. of Fish & Game in King Salmon.

Read on VHF 7 and SSB 2509: June 24, 2012 12:00 noon.
Connected EO's: <u>2F-T-13-12</u> and <u>2F-T-14-12</u>